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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

SIR:

In response to the December 23, 1998 Office Action in the above-identified case, applicant respectfully requests the election of the invention of Group I; i.e., claims 1-2, 4, 6, 8-9, 11, 13, 15 and 31-32, with traverse. Therefore, applicant herein withdraws claims 16-30 without prejudice, and reserves the right to prosecute said withdrawn claims in subsequent divisional, continuation or continuation-in-part applications.

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